

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for polishing an optical disk comprising:
  - a) a rotatable polished body holder for holding a polished body;
  - b) a rotatable polishing body holder for holding a polishing body;
  - c) a buffer member provided between the polishing body and a rigid member~~the polishing body holder~~, which is deformable within the range of 0.05 to 0.3 mm when pressed with a predetermined contact pressure required for polishing;
  - d) a driver for rotationally driving the polishing body holder and/or the polished body holder; and
  - e) a pressing unit for pressing the polishing body holder and the polished body holder against each other with the predetermined contact pressure.
2. (Original) The apparatus for polishing an optical disk according to claim 1, wherein the deformation amount of the buffer member is between 0.1 and 0.2 mm.
3. (Currently Amended) The apparatus for polishing an optical disk according to claim 1, wherein the~~a~~ rigid member is provided between the buffer member and the polishing body holder.
4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus for polishing an optical disk according to claim 2, wherein the~~a~~ rigid member is provided between the buffer member and the polishing body holder.